

Appendix 6. Recommended Submission Letter Format

Agency Letter Head
Date
Project Name
Project Designation Number
Address and Phone Number

Dr. Mark Baumler, SHPO
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Dear Dr. Baumler:

Please find enclosed the cultural resource inventory report for (the project name)(agency project number). Four cultural resources were located within the APE. Pursuant to regulations found at 36 CFR 800 we request SHPO review of the enclosed inventory and the eligibility determinations stated below. We will request your concurrence regarding effect in the future once a decision has been made by (your agency name) regarding Alternative B and after the eligibility of the four sites in the APE has been resolved.

The proposed undertaking is located partially on lands administered by (your agency name) and partially owned by the applicant, (proponent's name) as indicated on attached USGS 7.5' (map name). Following consultation with SHPO (date), (your agency name) defined the APE as the area between the dividing ridge lines to the east and west of Blake Creek, and 100 m north and south of the dikes to be built across Blake Creek. This area is indicated by the hatched blue lines on the attached map. Both alternative implementations (A and B) for this undertaking are accurately described in detail on page 2 of the report. As the report indicates, all borrow and ancillary locations are contained within the APE as defined, with the exception of the access route, which is an existing road, constructed in 1965. All actions proposed under both Alternative A and B are contained within this APE. (your agency name) believes that the APE as defined adequately considers all reasonable potential effects to Historic Properties from this proposed undertaking. We also believe that the report prepared by (consultant's name) for (proponent's name) and subsequently reviewed by (your agency name) is adequate and we agree with their methods.

We initiated consultation with the Northern Cheyenne and Crow Culture Commissions (date). Neither Tribe has expressed concerns or provided additional information regarding cultural resources of importance to them in the APE.

However, we do not agree with the consultant's recommendation that 24ZZ0001 is not eligible. We believe the report indicates that 24ZZ0001 is clearly eligible under A and D. We do agree with each of the consultant's other recommendations. We request your concurrence on the adequacy of this report, the ineligibility of 24ZZ0002, 24ZZ0003, and 24ZZ0004; and the eligibility of 24ZZ0001.

Please contact (your name at #) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

(your manager' name)